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Applicant : Timothy H. Bestor

Serial No.: 09/051,013 Group Art Unit: 1652

Filed : October 9, 1998 Examiner: David J. Steadman

For : CHIMERIC DNA-BINDING/DNA METHYLTRANSFERASE
NUCLEIC ACID AND POLYPEPTIDE AND USES THEREOF

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February 25, 2002

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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SIR:

PETITION FOR A TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant hereby requests a two-month extension of time for filing an Appeal Brief in connection with the above-identified application. A Notice of Appeal was filed in connection with the subject application on October 23, 2001 setting the deadline for filing the Appeal Brief as December 23, 2001. Applicant hereby requests a two-month extension of time from December 23, 2001 to February 23, 2002 for filing the Appeal Brief. However, since February 23, 2002 falls on a Saturday, a response filed on the next business day, i.e. Monday, February 25, 2002, shall be considered timely. Accordingly, the subject application is pending, and the accompanying CPA is being timely filed.

The required fee for a two-month extension of time for a small entity is TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00). The required fee for filing this CPA for a small entity is THREE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY

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DOLLARS (\$370.00). A check to cover both fees, in the amount of FIVE HUNDRED-SEVENTY DOLLARS (\$570.00), is enclosed.

No fee, other than the enclosed \$570.00 is deemed necessary. However, if any additional fee is required, authorization is given to charge the amount of such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

Respectfully submitted,



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